FISCAL NOTE

SB 321 - HB 377

February 27, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Current law authorizes children twenty-four years of age or younger to be covered under their parents' individual hospital or medical expense insurance policy or contract so long as the child is unmarried and dependent on the insured for support and maintenance. This bill would raise the age limit to twenty-eight years of age or younger so long as the child is unmarried, unemployed, or attending a post-secondary educational institution and dependent on the insured for support.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Potential Impact on Health Insurance Premiums (required by Tenn. Code Ann. § 3-2-111): Such legislation would result in an increase in the cost of health insurance premiums exceeding \$100,000 for plans that do not currently cover such children.

Assumption:

• Under ERISA guidelines, the State Plan, Local Education Plan, and Local Government Plan would be exempt from the provisions of this bill. Therefore there would be no fiscal impact on state or local government.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director